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SUBJECT: GOG EAGER TO CONCLUDE NEGOTIATIONS WITH OLYMPIC

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1. TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER GEORGE VOYATZIS STATED JANUARY 2 THAT GOG WILL SEEK SPEEDY CONCLUSION OF NEGOTIATIONS ON NATIONAL AIRLINE PROBLEM, SINCE FURTHER DELAYS WOULD HAVE DISASTROUS IMPACT ON AIRLINE'S OPERATION WHICH SHOULD START GETTING READY TO ACCOMMODATE INCREASED SUMMER TOURIST TRAFFIC. COMPLETION OF NEGOTIATIONS WOULD PERMIT NORMALIZATION OF FLIGHT SCHEDULES. GOG TAKING ALL EFFORTS TO INSURE THAT AIRLINE REMAINS IN SATISFACTORY OPERATING CONDITION SO THAT FUTURE CONCESSIONAIRE WOULD NOT BE FACED WITH UNSURMOUNTABLE OBSTACLES IN GEARING UP TO FULL OPERATION OF ALL OF OLYMPIC'S NORMAL SCHEDULES (PRESS REPORTS THAT ONE REASON THAT OLYMPIC ONLY FLYING TO ROME AND LONDON IS THAT OLYMPIC DEEPLY IN DEBT TO FUEL COMPANIES AT OTHER FOREIGN DESTINATIONS).

2. COMMENT: EMBASSY HAS OBTAINED FROM OLYMPIC SOURCE GUARGED CONCURRENCE IN VIEW THAT TALKS MAY INDEED BE HEADED FOR SPEEDY

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RESOLUTION. ALSO, VOYATZIS, IN REMAINING PORTION OF HIS

STATEMENT APPEARS TO BE PAVING WAY FOR PUBLIC ACCEPTANCE OF
NEW TERMS FOR CONTINUED OPERATION OF GREECE'S NATIONAL AIRLINES.
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